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Pyridazino[4,5-b] Indole-1-Acetamide Derivatives, Their Preparation and Their

Application in Therapeutics

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Response to Restriction/Election Requirement Under 35 U.S.C. § 121

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action, dated, October 24, 2006, having a response due by November 24, 2006 in the above-identified patent application. It is respectfully requested that the following provisional election, and the remarks be entered in this case.

PROVISIONAL ELECTION:

Applicants provisionally elect with traverse the invention Group I, claims 1-10 and 13-56, drawn to 1,2-diazine fused to indole (tricyclic).

Provisional Election of Species

Applicants provisionally elect with traverse a sub-generic species falling within the scope of invention Group I to be a compound of formula I, wherein X = halogen, Het = pyridinyl, $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = C_1 - C_4$ alkyl. A single compound within the scope of this sub-generic species is 7-fluoro-N,N,5-trimethyl-4-oxo-3-(pyridin-2-yl)-3,5-dihydro-4H-pyridazino[4,5-h]indole-1-acetamide, which is Example 1 (Compound 1) found in the specification at page 10, line 18 to page 14, line 2. Please note that all of claims 1-10 and 13-56 read on this elected subgeneric species.